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(54) Title: LACTOBACILLUS STRAINS PREVENTING DIARRHOEA PATHOGENIC BACTERIA (57) Abstract <p>The present invention pertains to novel microorganisms of the genus Lactobacillus, that are useful in preventing diarrhoea brought about by pathogenic bacteria. In particular, the present invention relates to the use of said microorganisms for the preparation of an ingestible support and to a composition containing the same.</p>		